Biharsharif Bypass

195. SHRI RAMASHRAYA PRASAD SINGH : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is true that six (6) kilometers of N.H. 31 crossing Biharsharif town, Headquarter of Nalanda District, called 'Biharsharif Bypass' is in very bad condition;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the remedial measures being taken by the Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) to (c) No, Sir. The Bypass is being maintained in traffic worthy condition within available resources.

[Translation]

Educational Institutions in Uttar Pradesh

196. SHRI MUNAWWAR HASSAN : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to set up a number of educational, polytechnical institutions in Uttar Pradesh during 1997-98; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, location-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA) : (a) and (b) As per the provisions in the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) Act, 1987, the power of according approval for starting new technical institutes including polytechnics rests with the AICTE. The proposals are processed by the Council in accordance with the regulations notified under the Act. The procedure and mechanism is applicable to all proposals covering those from Uttar Pradesh as well.

Literacy Rate

197. SHRI AMAR PAL SINGH :
DR. RAMKRISHNA KUSMARIA :

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the percentage of literacy rate in the country;

(b) the position of India as compared to the literacy rate in the other parts of the world; and

(c) the details of schemes launched to promote literacy in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA):

(a) As per the 1991 Census the percentage of literacy in the country is 52.21%.

(b) A comparative statement indicating the literacy rate of India and the nine most populous countries in 15 plus age group as on 1990 as per the statistical year book 1993 published by UNESCO is enclosed as statement.

(c) The main approach of the National Literacy Mission for promotion of literacy is through volunteer-based Total Literacy Campaigns, taken up on the basis of projects prepared by the districts. The Total Literacy Campaigns are implemented by Zilla Saksharata Samitis which include representation from voluntary agencies. Where the Total Literacy Campaigns have not been taken up as yet, voluntary agencies are supported for taking up literacy work in small pockets.

Statement

Sl. No.	Name of the Country	Estimated Literacy Rate (1990)
1.	Bangladesh	38.1
2.	Brazil	83.3
3.	China	81.5
4.	Egypt	51.4
5.	India	52.0
6.	Indonesia	83.8
7.	Mexico	89.6
8.	Nigeria	57.1
9.	Pakistan	37.8

Ayurvedic and Unani Institute

198. DR. RAMKRISHNA KUSMARIA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of ayurvedic and unani educational institutions in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) the number out of them which are being run by the Union/State Government, district-wise;

(c) whether most of these institutions do not have teaching facilities; and

(d) if so, the steps being taken in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI) : (a) As per information available there are 11 Ayurveda and 7 Unani Medical Colleges functioning in U.P.

(b) As per information available, district-wise No. of Ayurveda & Unani Medical Colleges run by State Government is given in the attached Statement.

(c) Most of these Institutions do not have adequate teaching facilities as per standards of Central Council of Indian Medicine.

(d) A team of CCIM has visited Lucknow and interacted with officials of the Government of Uttar Pradesh. This team has also made certain recommendations to improve the situation.

Statement

Ayurvedic and Unani Educational Institutions in Uttar Pradesh as on 31.1.97

Sl. No.	Name of Distt.	No. of Ayurvedic Colleges		No. of Unani Medical Colleges	
		Govt.	Non. Govt.	Govt.	Non. Govt.
1.	Aligarh	—	—	1*	—
2.	Allahabad	1	—	1	—
3.	Azamgarh	—	—	—	1
4.	Bareilly	1	—	—	—
5.	Banda	1	—	—	—
6.	Hardwar	2@	—	—	—
7.	Jhansi	1	—	—	—
8.	Lucknow	1*	—	1	1
9.	Muzaffarnagar	1	—	—	—
10.	Pilibhit	1*	—	—	—
11.	Saharanpur	—	—	—	2
12.	Varanasi	1 + 1**	—	—	—
	Total	10 + 1*	—	3	4

Note :

* Imparting P.G. Course also.
@ One college imparting P.G. Course also.
** Imparting only P.G. Course.

[Translation]

Health Education

199. SHRI PANKAJ CHOWDHARY :
SHRI MAHENDER SINGH BHATI :
SHRIMATI KETAKI DEVI SINGH :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to launch any ambitious schemes regarding health education;

(b) if so, the main features of the proposal;

(c) the time by which a final decision is likely to be taken regarding this scheme;

(d) the number of schools, where this scheme is proposed to be implemented initially; and

(e) the expenditure proposed to be incurred on the scheme ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI) : (a) and (b) Health education is an integral part of various disease control programmes. Government has decided to step up efforts to improve the information, education and communication component of the National Health Programmes administered through the Central Government and to place emphasis on the preventive care aspects also.

(c) The programmes are an ongoing activity and the schemes will be implemented each year.

(d) The schemes cover the general population on a location specific basis and include coverage of school children where applicable. Government of Delhi have also formulated a scheme on Health Education to be taken up on a pilot basis in 100 schools initially.

(e) There is no unified budget for health education which is extended as a part of different health schemes like AIDS, Malaria, TB, Leprosy, Blindness, Iodine Deficiency, School health check up etc.

Kendriya Vidyalaya in Purnia

200. SHRI RAJESH RANJAN *ALIAS* PAPPU YADAV : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal to open a Kendriya Vidyalaya in Purnia (Bihar); and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) and (b) A request for opening a Kendriya Vidyalaya at Purnia was received in August, 1995. The District authorities were requested to submit a detailed report in this behalf, which has not been received from them.

[English]

Assistance for Family Welfare Programmes

201. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the assistance provided to the State Governments for the family welfare programmes during each of the last three years;